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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Appln. of: Richlen, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/032,701

Filed: December 28, 2001

For: ABSORBENT GARMENT HAVING A  
WEAKENED REGION

Attorney Docket No: 659-920

Examiner: Reichle, Karin M.

Art Unit: 3761

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

## Attached is/are:

- ☒ Amendment and Reply to May 16, 2005 Office Action
- ☒ Request for Amendment of Drawings
- ☒ Seven (7) Replacement Drawing Sheets
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

## Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			x 100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+ \$180=			+ \$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

August 16, 2005  
Date

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO MAY 16, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 16, 2005, please enter the following amendments in the above-referenced patent application.